



In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants respectfully request examination of Group a covering Figures 3-9. In the Office Action, claims 50-55, 70, 116-118, 120-121 and 125 were considered to be generic. In addition, examination of claims 1-17, 19, 21-39, 41, 42, 44-49, 56-65, 67, 68, 71-79, 83-92, 94-96, 98-115, 119, 122, 123, 126 and 127 are also readable on the elected embodiment. In summary, claims 1-17, 19, 21-39, 41, 42, 44-65, 67, 68, 70-79, 83-92, 94-96, 98-123 and 125-127 read on the elected embodiment.

Further, claims 18, 20, 40, 43, 66, 69-82, 93, 97, 124 and 128 depend from allowable generic claims, and should therefore be rejoined if the independent claims are found to be allowable by the Examiner.

Prompt and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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